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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1909.

IMPORTANCE OF THE CONFERENCE'S ATTITUDE TOWARD STATEWIDE PROHIBITION.

Extraordinary interest attaches to the consideration of the liquor question by the Methodist Conference of Virginia, now in session in this city. No organization, except the Anti-Saloon League itself has more influence among the temperance and prohibition forces of the State than the conference, and the action of this body on the state-wide prohibition question will be more than an intimation of what the prohibitionists are liable to undertake during the coming session of the Virginia General Assembly.

Of course, the legislative campaign of the Anti-Saloon League will not be adopted or announced until that body holds its annual session in Norfolk, but the attitude of the conference will, in all probability, be reflected by the action of the league. The foremost workers and leaders of the league occupy very much the same positions in the conference.

The report on the prohibition matter is to be submitted to the conference by a committee of which Dr. James Cannon, Jr., is chairman, and the chairman is said to have been instructed to write the report of the committee. Whatever this report may be, it is said, it is more than likely to be adopted by the conference, as a large majority of the delegates favor state-wide prohibition and are ready to declare for it at any time their leaders may decide that the time is ripe. Dr. Cannon is superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League and by virtue of his position and the he wields among the members and other officials, is the real head of the body. It was through his efforts, largely, that the league was restrained from going on record for immediate state-wide prohibition last year, and if he gives the word this time it is practically certain that there will be no restraining.

Therefore, if the conference now in session adopts a resolution to the effect that the time is ripe for state-wide prohibition, the State might as well prepare for what probably will prove to be the greatest battle of ballots ever waged in the history of the commonwealth. The legislature would not consider seriously a proposition to pass a statewide prohibition statute, therefore the matter probably will come up in the form of a request or petition for an act submitting the question to a vote of the people.

MAYOR'S SUGGESTION A GOOD ONE.

Mayor Jones' suggestion that an expert be employed by the council to ascertain the difference between the cost of the new brick paving as it stands and what would be the cost had the sand base been laid in accordance with the specifications, seems to be a good one. According to those who have estimated the probable difference, the city will have a claim for only a few hundred dollars against the contractor when the exact figures have been ascertained. The amount possibly will not much more than cover the cost of investigating and straightening out the matter, but even if it should prove to be insufficient to cover the expense, the exact difference should be ascertained by all means for the satisfaction of the council and the public.

And the sooner these figures are

obtained and the whole affair is disposed of, the better the general public will like it. There has been so much talk about paving and paving scandals of late that the people no doubt will be duly grateful when there is no longer anything to be reported in connection with either paving or scandal.

Talk of official head-chopping in Virginia always seems to come from Washington, no matter whether the proposed victims are federal or State office holders.

The market for hypnotic subjects is decidedly bullish.

BRILLIANT CROWD AT NATIONAL HORSE SHOW.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—The third day of the national horse show brought out the largest attendance seen at the Madison Square Garden this season. With the senior class of West Point cadets in the boxes tonight and a varied program of stunts, jumpers, ponies driven by children, officers' chargers, hunters ridden by ladies, and draught horses on the tankard, the scene was of unusual animation.

The first serious accident of this year's show sent a quail of horror through the crowd this afternoon when W. C. Collier fell at the five foot jumps in the preliminary trial for hunters and was kicked in the face by Irish, his mount. His front teeth were loosened, his lips and cheeks badly cut, and his back badly wrenched, but it was said tonight that no bones were broken.

Both Alfred and Reginald Vanderbilt were retired unplaced today in the class for harness horses over 14 hands two inches and under fifteen hands. Judge W. H. Moore, their keenest rival, took the blue with his prize winner Floudball.

In the Delator challenge cup class for pairs, E. T. Stotesburg, of Chestnut Hill, Pa., was a first, with Lacie G. and Pearl Oward. His Lugano and Comco which took an international first at London this year got only a "highly commended" here.

G. W. Watson, of Baltimore, won against Judge Moore and Alfred G. Vanderbilt in the class for park teams of four.

The magnificent bay stallion Nala, of the Ayvalide Farm, Mass., took permanent possession for J. W. Harriman, his owner, of the Forest King challenge cup against the best horses of the country. All riders were in full uniform tonight for the international event, officers' charges, open to all nations, and there were round of applause for Major Percford, D. S. O. of Aldershot, when the blue was pinned to his mare Fifty.

Morris and Company, of Chicago, took first for draft horses with a pair of bay geldings.

TEN MILLION DOLLARS IN TELEPHONE LINES

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Nov. 10.—James S. Brailey, Jr., of Toledo, Ohio, today acknowledged that he had bought a controlling interest in the New Long Distance Telephone Company of Indiana. He would not say with whom he was associated with in the deal.

Mr. Brailey, it is understood, has bought 75 per cent of the stock of the company at 60 cents on the dollar and the purchase price has been paid.

Mr. Brailey denied that he represented the Bell interests.

"Then do you represent the Postal Telegraph Company?" Mr. Brailey was asked.

"That is a matter of which I shall not speak," he answered. Among business men that have been concerned in the development of independent telephone lines it is said that purchases of the stock of different companies in Indiana and Ohio by Mr. Brailey and his associates will reach \$10,000,000.

FOURTEEN KILLED IN WRECK NEAR VANCOUVER

(By Associated Press.)
VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 10.—Fourteen persons were killed and seven injured, two perhaps fatally today when a runaway car crashed into a crowded passenger car on the British Columbia Electric Company's interurban line. The motorman and conductor of the freight car were among the killed. The passengers were mostly workmen bound for New Westminster.

Virtually every person in the passenger car was killed or injured. The passenger car left the Vancouver station just behind an electric freight train containing a flat car loaded with heavy timbers. Three miles out at the head of a grade, the coupling of the lumber car broke and it started back. When the impact occurred the heavy timbers of the flat car slid forward and ripped the passenger car level with the floor. Not a silver was left standing of the passenger car.

Keep It Quiet.

Mamma: "Did you tell God how very naughty you were?"

Mary: "No, mamma: I thought it hadn't better get out of the family."

—Chicago Record-Herald.

BANDIT TERROIZES FARMER'S FAMILY.

Takes Youth to Town to Cash Check, But Bank Officials Were Notified.

(By Associated Press.)
KEWANEE, ILL., Nov. 10.—A masked bandit armed with two revolvers and a bowie knife today held up and terrorized in their home today John Powers, a farmer living near here, his wife, son, daughter and two hired men.

After intimidating them under threat of death from 6 o'clock in the morning until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the robber tied the three men with ropes, forced the woman and girl into the kitchen, where he securely locked and then compelled Fred Powers, the son, to drive him to Tiskilwa, Ill., to cash a check for \$350 which he made the farmer sign.

The farmer, after a struggle, succeeded in freeing himself from the bonds in which he had been strapped by the bandit and communicated by telephone with neighbors who hastened to stop payment on the check. The bandit arrived at Tiskilwa at about the time the message from Powers' friends reached the bank.

When he was refused the money the robber forced the farmer's son to drive him away and when pursued by some farmers, some of them in automobiles, drove into a marshy country and then fled on foot through the woods where all trace of him was lost.

DARING ATTEMPT TO SET ROBBERS FREE.

(By Associated Press.)
OMAHA, NEB., Nov. 10.—The first sensation in the trial of the five men charged with the robbery of the Union Pacific's "Overland Limited" train at Mud City May 22 last, came today in the announcement that a daring and almost successful attempt to liberate the prisoners was discovered last night at the county jail.

The bars and plates of the cage where the men are kept had been sawed until a very little more work would have opened the way to freedom.

On top of the cage were found two heavy iron bars evidently intended to loosen the bars in the windows and a long rope by which the men could have reached the ground. Two saws with which the cutting of the cage was done were found hidden in a room. An investigation has been started.

CHANGE OF MIND.

I used to call him "Rube," and scoff at him with merry quip and jest; I'd say, "Your chin needs wiping off." And tell him to pull down his vest; And that—yes, brother, that was when I did not dream of this remorse—Yet I was walking idly then; He drove behind a trotting horse.

I used to say that it was sad because he could not live in town, Where things were always bright and glad And care an easy thing to drown. And even then he had a phone To chat with neighbors far or near, My slugs into the slot were thrown—A hired receiver at my ear.

Yet, none the less, I pitied him—You see, I judged him on the stage Where he was shown all lank and slim, With whiskers like the wind-tossed sage. Well, when I'd got a horse to drive, It gave me something of a jar To have him whizz past in his "five," With six guests in the roomy car.

And so I hold my head and think Of all the jokes I used to make, Of how I'd nod my head and wink And speak of him as "Country Jake!"

Why, when I've saved my scanty dime And bought an auto—'tis in vain To dream upon those coming times—For then he'll have an aeroplane!

So, here's to you, my farmer friend—There never was a "Rube" or "Sl." We've just begun to comprehend That it is you who whizzed by In the disturbing cloud of dust That mocks and overwhelms us thus. Though in our little jokes discussed, You've always kept ahead of us. —Chicago Evening Post.

A Paragraph of P.S.
"It appears that Cook peered at the pole before Peary appeared, and Peary's appearance appears to appeal against Cook's appeal that he peered at the pole before Peary appeared. But did Peary appear to peer at the pole, and if Peary did appear and peered what appeared to Peary?" If you don't like it don't blame us. It appeared first in a London paper.—Boston Globe.

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"Now, Willie," said the teacher to a small pupil, "what is the term etc. used for?"

"It is used to make people believe we know more than we do," replied the bright little fellow.

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Ar. Phil. B. & O. Ry. 11:50 a. m.
Ar. N. Y. R. & O. Ry. 2:10 p. m.

Lv. Wash. Penn. Ry. 9:00 a. m.
Ar. N. Y. Penn. Ry. 1:15 p. m.

Lv. Wash. Penn. Ry. 7:30 a. m.
Ar. Phila. Penn. Ry. 10:40 a. m.

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Lv. N. Y. B. & O. Ry. 11:50 a. m.
Lv. Phila. B. & O. Ry. 2:17 p. m.
Ar. Wash. B. & O. Ry. 5:30 p. m.

Lv. N. Y. Penn. Ry. 12:55 p. m.
Ar. Wash. Penn. Ry. 6:16 p. m.
Ar. Wash. Penn. Ry. 16:22 p. m.

Lv. Phila. Penn. Ry. 3:20 p. m.
Ar. Wash. Penn. Ry. 6:22 p. m.

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